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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CLIFFORD M. GOVAERTS

Plaintiff,

v.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT  
SERVICES; MARY MURPHY, ATTY;  
JOHN G. VARTANIAN, III, COUNTY  
OF SANTA CLARA; MELODY  
GRANDELL; AND DOES 1-10.

Defendants.

C 08-00125 PVT

**DECLINATION TO PROCEED BEFORE A  
U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE [28 U.S.C. §  
636(c)]**

Defendants JOHN G. VARTANIAN, III and MARY MURPHY hereby decline to  
proceed before a United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to Title 28 U.S.C., section 636(c), and  
request a reassignment.

Dated: January 8, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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**PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL**

*CLIFFORD M. GOVAERTS v. SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILD  
SUPPORT SERVICES; MARY MURPHY, ATTY; JOHN G. VARTANIAN, III, COUNTY OF  
SANTA CLARA; MELODY GRANDELL; AND DOES 1-10.*

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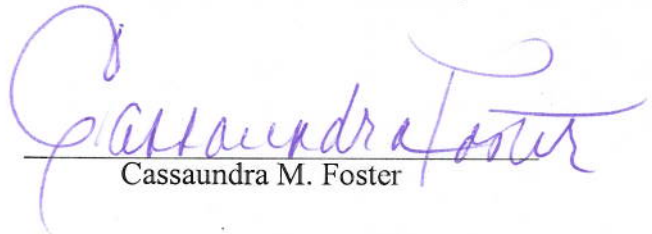
I, Cassaundra M. Foster, say:

I am now and at all times herein mentioned have been over the age of eighteen years, employed in Santa Clara County, California, and not a party to the within action or cause; that my business address is 70 West Hedding, East Wing, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Jose, California 95110-1770. I am readily familiar with the County's business practice for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service. I served a copy of the **DECLINATION TO PROCEED BEFORE A U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE [28 U.S.C. § 636(c)]** by placing said copy in an envelope addressed to:

Clifford Govaerts  
P.O. Box 2294  
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which envelope was then sealed, with postage fully prepaid thereon, on **January 8, 2008**, and placed for collection and mailing at my place of business following ordinary business practices. Said correspondence will be deposited with the United States Postal Service at San Jose, California, on the above-referenced date in the ordinary course of business; there is delivery Service by United States mail at the place so addressed.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on **January 8, 2008**, at San Jose, California.

  
Cassaundra M. Foster

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